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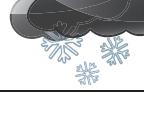
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## ON THE HOUSE

### Wildcats claw up Jayhawks 65-60

Chris Wallace  
staff writer

In the 101st matchup between the women's basketball teams of KU and K-State, the Wildcats were able to survive a hard-fought rivalry game with a 65-60 victory at Bramlage Coliseum on Saturday. The win was the 10th in a row for the Wildcats at home against Kansas.

"It is a rivalry game," said junior forward Jalana Childs. "Everyone is going to be there. It is KU, and we want to win."

The game started off sluggishly for both teams. KU struck first with a pull-up jumper from sophomore guard Monica Engelmann, which gave the Jayhawks an early advantage. K-State had two turnovers in its first three offensive possessions, but the Wildcats finally scored their first basket with fresh-

man forward Chantay Caron's 3-pointer, which gave the Wildcats a 3-2 advantage. The Jayhawks were able to add another basket and took a 4-3 lead into the first media timeout at the 15:54 mark.

After the timeout, the Wildcats went on a run. By tightening up the pressure on defense, the Cats reeled off transition and fast break buckets to build a 12-7 lead. The run was capitalized by sophomore guard Brittany Chambers diving for a loose ball and sending a pass to sophomore guard Taelor Karr. Chambers then raced up the floor and caught a pass from sophomore guard Mariah White before firing a three-point dagger and forcing the Jayhawks to regroup.

Kansas would climb back into the game, eventually tying

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Wildcats' record at home this season

63.3 %

Free throw percentage Saturday against the Jayhawks

43.5 %

Field goal percentage Saturday against the Jayhawks

19

Points by sophomore guard Taelor Karr

Wildcat guard **Brittany Chambers** celebrates with her teammates after defeating the Kansas Jayhawks, 65-60, Saturday afternoon at Bramlage Coliseum. Chambers scored nine points on the afternoon.

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## Spiritual belief, practices differ in religion

**Belief in reincarnation offers both answers and mystery**

Missy Calvert  
copy editor

**Editor's Note:** This article is the first installment of a three part series exploring reincarnation.

The mystery of human suffering is one factor that led Vinod Mony, 31, to his personal belief in karma and reincarnation.

"I have been raised with that belief as a child," Mony said, "and many times questions related to human suffering for seemingly no fault of people in this birth, leads to the theory of karma and

rebirth."

Mony, a fourth-year doctoral student in biology at K-State, believes in Hinduism, and is a native of Kannur, India.

Rochni Chand, 27, lives in Mumbai, India, and she also grew up in a family of devoted Hindus. However, Chand said she does not intrinsically believe in reincarnation.

"Deconstruct rebirth and you'll find that it is nothing more than a 'spiritual arm-twist,'" she said.

For thousands of years, the belief in reincarnation has been closely linked with Hinduism.

But like Chand, who describes herself as a "neo-traditionalist," not all Hindus believe in it, and reincarnation is not a term that can be neatly defined by a dic-

tionary.

While Chand believes in karma, she said her thoughts about reincarnation have changed since she was a child.

"I think I best understand the concept of reincarnation when I pop on the hat of an environmentalist," Chand said. "Reincarnation is just a 'cosmic adaptation' of recycling ... that kind of demystifies the process and makes it much more probable and identifiable to me. Unless of course you enjoy the air of mystery around it, which incidentally scores of Indians do."

Shrouded in Mystery

Why are some people born blind? Why are some unusually blessed? Why are some seemingly destined to live in poverty? Why are some children born

with extraordinary talents?

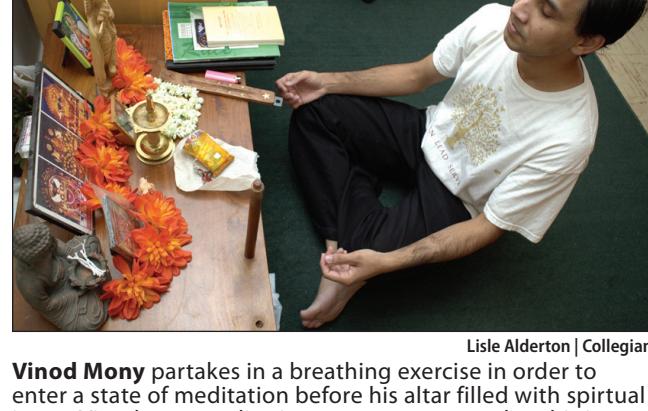
"Logically speaking, all these cannot be mere coincidences. There has to be some reason behind the differences in the species around us," said Srinivas Hariharan, 22.

Hariharan, who is from Pune, India, is a Hindu by birth and belief.

"And the only explanation is the law of karma and the theory of reincarnation," Hariharan said.

A 31-year-old woman, who is a native of Manhattan, Kan., worked with a Christian non-profit organization in India, and asked to remain anonymous because of her involvement with religious missions.

She studied Hindi and worked to establish a study abroad center while living in Varanasi, India,



**Vinod Mony** partakes in a breathing exercise in order to enter a state of meditation before his altar filled with spiritual items. Vinod uses meditation as a means to explore his inner being and reflect upon himself.

for two years. She said she interacted with Hindus daily as most of the people she knew followed its practices.

"I'm pretty convinced that if you asked 20 Hindus about (re-

incarnation), you'd get 20 different answers," she said.

India's 2001 census reported that 80.5 percent of its country's

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**Kansas performs with K-State Orchestra**

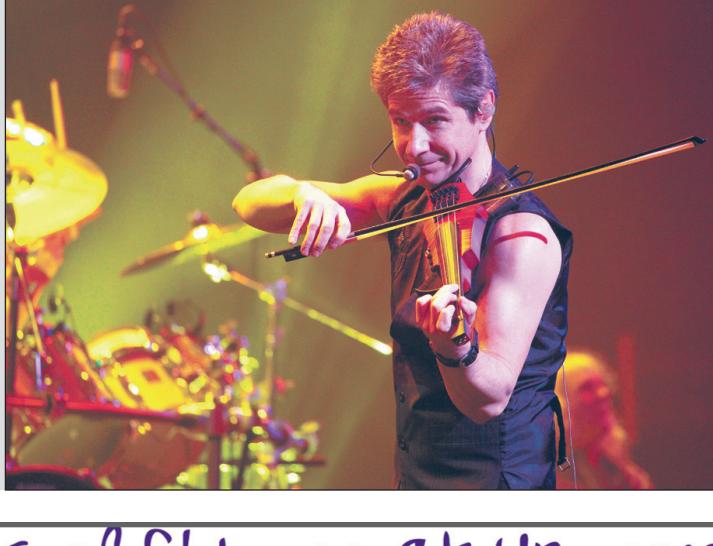
Lisa Barry  
staff writer

"It was a kind of rush" Ben MacGill, senior in music composition, said of Friday night's concert that combined the K-State orchestra with legendary rock band, Kansas.

Playing in front of a sold out McCain Auditorium, MacGill held the position of first violin and concert master. Along with this responsibility came the

**Dave Ragsdale** of the rock band Kansas performs the opening number Friday at McCain Auditorium. The K-State Orchestra played along with the band in front of a sold out crowd.

Logan M. Jones  
Collegian



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## University research sells hope to locals

**K-State center reaches out to rural grocery stores**

Matthew Finley  
staff writer

In a four-year time span, 82

grocery stores in Kansas towns of 2,500 or less have closed their doors to the community; leaving lost jobs, commerce, and tax dollars as the only products on empty shelves.

K-State's Center for Engagement and Community Development, which provided this statistic, aims to reverse this trend by helping community grocery stores

become more competitive and continue their necessary business. The center was created in 2006, and began a grocery retention initiative soon after receiving harried calls from communities in Kansas that were losing both their grocery stores and their town's chance of survival.

Perhaps the most basic business, modern groceries have come to offer much more than food. In small rural communities, even the smallest market is a town institution. Research by the Center for Engagement and Community Development indicates that the grocery store is an

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## Martin Luther King remembered in Ahearn wreath ceremony

**Valuable part of KSU's civil rights history preserved and recovered**

Danny Davis  
senior staff writer

Wreaths were laid at the Martin Luther King Jr. bust at Ahearn Field House last Friday as the final event of MLK Week. After a procession from the union, a crowd of several hundred people gathered around the bust and listened to remarks from speakers.

Myra Gordon, associate provost for diversity and dual career development, led the event. This year's annual wreath laying was the fourth time the event was held. She noted MLK's speech at K-State and the diversity of the campus.

Leading the procession was a color guard which added a regal, elegant and formal touch to the event, Gordon said. Students, people passing by and guests from out-of-town all crowded around the site.

Gordon said she was thankful for people who helped advertise the event that drew a large crowd.

"I'm delighted at the turnout today," said Gordon. "I think favorable weather helped."

Galen Vesey, director of the Black Wichita History Research Project, spoke about tapes he donated to the university. These tapes contain recordings from King's speech at K-State in 1968.

These tapes are significant because a fire in Nichols Hall ruined the original recordings from King's speech.

He said the tapes he donated were never lost and that he was their steward. Instead of K-State thanking him, he said he should thank K-State.

Vesey said that often the word contagious is thought of as harmful, lethal, or even deadly, but it could be a good thing. King's character and activism can be contagious.

"All can admire Dr. King, his social activism for humanity, words, message, nonviolence, peace and love," said Vesey.

"One of the best things to do in your life is to prepare yourself in service for humanity. Dr. King did this."

One of the guests at the ceremony was Provost April Mason. On Thursday, King's speech was aired at the Fellowship Luncheon.

"His speech is as relevant today as it was then," said Mason.

At K-State, she said there are many programs addressing diversity and there is a greater appreciation and understanding of it.

Tyrone Williams, junior in dance, social economics and business management, said he went to the ceremony to pay tribute to King. K-State was the last institution King spoke at, he said, and the speech was not written, but rather off the top of his head.

The ceremony was important to ensure King's work and dream are not forgotten, said Anita Easterwood, sophomore in fine arts. She said it was nice that many different racial groups attended the ceremony.



## HINDU | Beliefs vary within culture

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population believes in Hinduism. With nearly one billion followers worldwide - 14 percent of the world's population - Hinduism is the third largest religion after Christianity and Islam, according to the 2010 Britannica Online Encyclopedia.

The belief in reincarnation is not limited to the East. A 2009 survey by the Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life titled "Many Americans Mix Multiple Faiths" found that 24 percent of Americans believe in reincarnation.

According to Britannica, reincarnation, also known as transmigration, is the "rebirth of the aspect of an individual that persists after bodily death - whether

it be consciousness, mind, the soul or some other entity - in one or more successive existences."

As in most religions, Hinduism claims there is a part of a person that transcends physical death.

"Hindus believe that the body is perishable, but the soul remains even after the destruction of the body," Mony said, "so after death it takes birth in another body."

The rebirth process is called "samsara" in Sanskrit, an ancient Indo-Aryan language common in Hindu scriptures. Samsara literally means "the running around." Reincarnation is a cyclic process - birth, death and rebirth - sometimes thought to have no defined beginning or end.

After death, some Hindus

believe the soul leaves the body until it is reborn as a baby in a process that is a direct result of the law of karma.

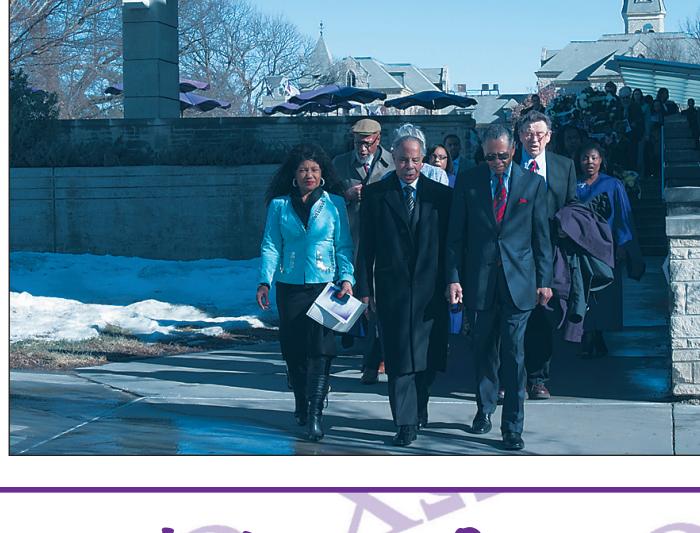
Reaction to Every Action Karma, which is Sanskrit for "action," is the ethical part of the rebirth process. The law of karma states that every action has an equal reaction.

Hariharan said everything done in people's current lives, good or bad, will determine the quality and type of their next life.

"Thus when you see a 3-year-old child singing beautifully, by the law of karma, you conclude that the child must have done an action in his past to develop his music and singing ability," Hariharan said. "Thus every action that is done will be accounted for consequently."

**Above:** A wreath is laid by the MLK bust at Ahearn Field House. Fair weather drew a large crowd to the ceremony. The wreath laying concluded MLK Week. **Right:** The procession from the K-State Student Union walks across the street to the MLK bust. The procession was led by a color guard.

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## STREET TALK

How do you feel about the coverage of sex in the Collegian?

"I think it's fine because we're all adults."



Michelle Thomas  
JUNIOR, DANCE

"I would like to see more articles in support of alternative lifestyles"



Susan Kraft  
BARISTA

"Whatever people want to read is what should be printed."



Michael Hampton  
SOPHOMORE, FINANCE

"It's alright where it is right now."



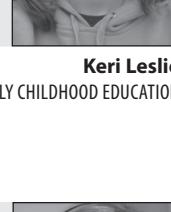
Nivas Rajaram  
GRAD STUDENT, INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING

"I haven't read it enough to know."



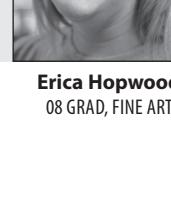
Jack Vielhauer  
FRESHMAN, BUSINESS

"I've never read it either."



Keri Leslie  
FRESHMAN, EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

"I don't know, it's more than a normal paper, but it's probably okay."



Erica Hopwood  
08 GRAD, FINE ARTS

"I don't care."



Audrey Polifka  
SENIOR, BAKERY SCIENCE AND MANAGEMENT

"I haven't read it enough since they got rid of the forum to really know."



T.J.  
SENIOR, BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

# DIVIDED

## Sudan split necessary for prosperity of nation



Andy Rao

For most of the world, 2011 is a fresh start. A new year to make new resolutions, set new goals and hopefully create new beginnings. For the African nation of Sudan, however, this has more of a literal meaning. On January 10, the Sudanese polls opened for perhaps one of the most consequential votes in the country's history. The issue at hand: secession. Since gaining its independence in 1956, the country has faced much turmoil. The various conglomerations of tribal wars as well as a movement amounting to genocide in the western region of Darfur has torn Sudan apart. Also, lack of education and corruption within the government has wreaked havoc. It comes as no surprise that many in the southern region of the country are in favor of a split and it seems likely to be implemented. If the split does occur, however, there are many questions arising for the fledgling nation-to-be, including political stability, economic viability and the establish-

ment of a legitimate military.

According to the January 8 BBC News article "Omar al-Bashir says South Sudan not ready for split", current Sudanese President Omar al-Bashir spoke about his reservations of a division in a recent interview on the Arabic news channel Al-Jazeera, informing listeners that the southern region "does not have the ability to provide for its citizens or create a state or authority." In the perspective of global political history, numerous border realignments have occurred. The North Korea-South Korea split in 1945 and the India-Pakistan split in 1947 have caused significant tension in their respective areas of the world. To this day, the border between India and Pakistan experiences frequent skirmishes and terrorist attacks and the demilitarized zone between North and South Korea is still a site of violent struggles. The bottom line is, secession does not necessarily mean peace and success for southern Sudan. While many of President al-Bashir's concerns may have legitimacy, it seems that the north has much to lose if the southern region were to break off from Sudan. According to the BBC article, religious differences have caused issues, the north being predominantly Arab Muslim while the south is predominantly Christian, while some believe the economic inequality has caused the majority of the country's tension.

The geography of the country makes this political battle interesting because the two sides have very distinct differences. The northern region is a barren desert and its hot, arid climate makes it a very difficult place to grow crops and cultivate the land. The southern region, on the other hand, is an area rich in natural resources, from the lush, tropical terrain to the valuable oil reserves. In fact, the southern region produces roughly 80 percent of the nation's refined oil, but historically has only received around 50 percent of the revenue. A graph in the BBC News article cited that the south suffers from major disparity compared to the north in infant mortality, water and sanitation, education and food shortages. Despite the potential risks, the south appears to be ready to take on these challenges. The referendum needed a 60 percent majority voter turnout in order to take place and that number was easily met. The Southern Sudanese Referendum Commission reported a turnout of 80 percent, while the Associated Press reported numbers as high as 95 percent in parts of Juba, the south's proposed capital, according to the January 16 BBC News article "South Sudan leader Kiir urges forgiveness for civil war." A sample of the ballots showed that 96 percent of the

votes were in favor of the formation of a new country.

The world will wait through the beginning of February as official results are expected to be announced on February 6 or February 14, if there is an appeal. Regardless of the result, the northern government along with President al-Bashir's National Congress Party has vowed to accept the votes and proceed as fairly as possible.

While the secession referendum is a high risk, high reward situation, Southern Sudan has the potential to take full advantage of the split. There will likely be violence between Sudan and the nation-to-be, as there has been in any division in history, but it has to be done to give the southerners a chance at prosperity.

In the January 8 BBC News article mentioned above, former South African President Thabo Mbeki spoke words of encouragement to the Southern Sudanese at a recent public gathering in Juba:

"The work of freedom is just at its beginning. We are confident that the Southern Sudanese people have the strength and the spirit to succeed in that endeavor." This optimism will serve the south well, as it looks to build a future, and possibly create the world's newest, independent nation.



Illustration by Erin Logan

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## Landon Lecture should favor student seating, uphold university's purpose



Beth Mendenhall

As my graduation rapidly approaches, everything seems to be swelling in importance. Every look at K-State's beautiful fall foliage felt palpably like my last. Do other places even have baked goods as delicious as those from The Bakery? Can I still find access to LexisNexis once I leave? Will I ever go to the Shot Stop again? I know my trepidation is irrational, as the answers to these questions are almost certainly yes. But some great things at K-State just don't have a real replacement, and we seniors will miss them terribly when we're gone.

One of these gems is the Landon Lecture series, which over the years has brought me face-to-face with ambassadors, military officials, former presidents and media moguls. It has educated us about domestic and foreign affairs and given us insight into the thoughts of elite Americans.

Last week's question-and-answer session with Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor was no exception to this incredible series' history of important speakers with important things to say. I was fortunate enough to get out of class to wait in line for an hour with a book, a crossword and an acquaintance-now-friend, but many of my peers weren't so lucky. Overflow seating was offered, but was limited, full and not as cool.

This wasn't a problem for those in the front section of Forum Hall, as Landon patrons and members of the faculty and Student Senate are given reserved tickets and did not need to wait in line. Something is wrong with our lecture series when students have little hope of getting in and those that do must skip class or work to claim one of the seats in the back.

The Landon Lecture series should make all seating available to everyone, or at least drastically reduce seating reserved for patrons and campus politicians. The basic reason is this: how one gets to see these speakers should be a function of who wants to see them the most, not who has the most money and power. Otherwise

the series becomes another exercise in elite privilege; the rich paying to see the powerful.

It's true that the lectures are put online and that you could've stood in the Union courtyard to watch Sotomayor. It's also true that this experience is less desirable than actually being there, as evidenced by the location of the premier seating. While many of the Landon Lectures are held in McCain, Forum Hall was used for Sotomayor and others due to security concerns. While this rationale for reducing the seating from 1766 to 575 is solid, despite the absence of metal detectors or security checks on the way in, it magnifies the problem immensely. The Landon series is funded by approximately 400 patrons and, according to its website, each one of them gets a ticket to a "special reserved section." That the reserved section for Sotomayor appeared less than the 16/23rds Landon Patrons could claim, especially given that it included non-patron members of student and faculty senate, is either a function of my poor estimation skills or a representation of the lack of overall interest in the speaker by the patrons.

Everything about this past lecture supports the idea that students deserve more seating. Despite multiple awkward moments, such as

when district judge John Lungstrom referred to us as KU, or when circuit judge Deane Tacha let us know she wore her native American jewelry especially for the K-State occasion, the student crowd was generally respectful and appropriate. Sotomayor herself noted that the role of our university is to introduce students to new experiences and ideas and that it's a structural societal problem that those with the least money get the worst.

The Landon series website offers no insight into its purpose, which makes it difficult to argue either side with solid authority. The purpose of the series should be to introduce Kansas students to powerful people, powerful ideas and to educate them about the subjects of Landon Lectures. Those who argue that increasing student seating at the expense of patron privilege will decrease the donations that fund the series should think long and hard about its purpose. If adjusting seating proportions to favor the more than 22,000 students who didn't get to see Sotomayor causes backlash, then we'll know for certain the true purpose of our amazing lecture series.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Sexual references, innuendos offensive

I am extremely disappointed in the numerous sexual references appearing in some of the most recent editions of the Collegian. The most obvious appeared in the form of the large, offensive image displayed on the cover of the Jan. 26 edition. I realize the article was written as an informational piece, however the fact that a pornographic image was used in order to catch the readers interest is appalling and unappreciated. While I'm sure you will argue that the ever-so cleverly titled "Hump Day" article is a summary of professional research and not a vile attempt at humor, when you take into account that this is a university publication intended mostly for college-aged students, the implications this article conveys as a sort of scare tactic (concerning 'use it or lose it', as well as a means for achieving better looks) provide an easy excuse for what may lead to abuse of an act that shouldn't be considered nonchalant.

Another demeaning Collegian article was published in the Jan. 28 edition, and is titled "Manscaping above, below belt." While I'm confident this article was intended for comical purposes, the sexual innuendos that lie within the "information" are not only uncalled for, but are yet another example of inappropriate discussion that is better left out of Kansas State publications.

I find it degrading and juvenile that the Collegian seems to be taking the subject of sexual situations so lightly. In a publication the Kansas State University community should take pride in, there are other ways to promote humor and information that do not involve sexual references and offensive images.

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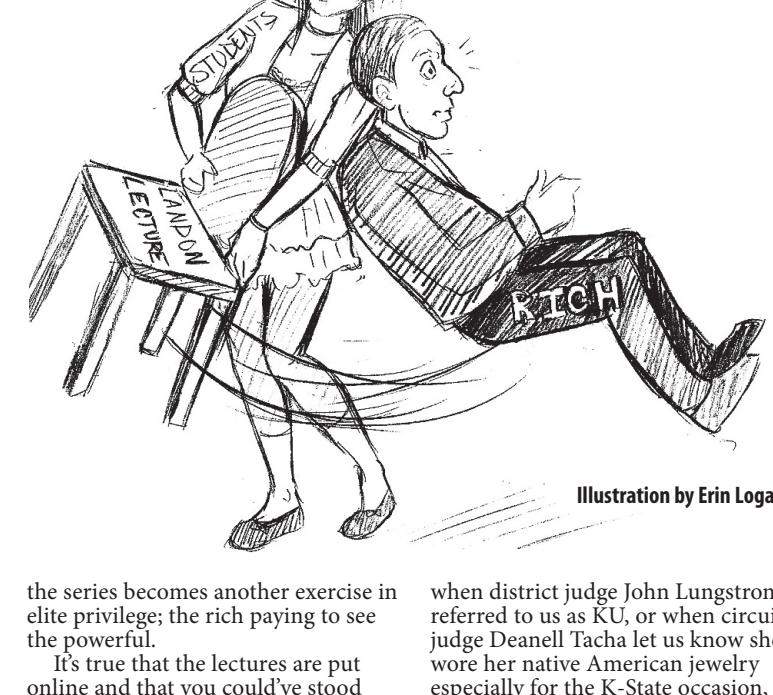


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## GROCERY | Stores fight back, citizens offer aid

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essential factor in a town's economic sustainability, as well as in providing for the surrounding health of the community. Business leaders cite a statistic that states 45 cents per locally spent dollar will return and circulate an average of six times in a community, whereas the number is 18 cents for every dollar that is spent outside of the community.

Closing a grocery can also lead to a literal malaise, as well as economic, resulting from the creation of a 'food desert,'

which is an area where community members don't have access to healthy food. This problem is especially acute for the elderly, young and disabled in a rural community, resulting from the lack of resources that these groups have to seek healthy food in other places.

"We believe one of the most important parts of keeping a town vital is to sustain the local grocery store," said David Procter, Director of the Center for Engagement and Community Development.

Such a belief is behind the center's grocery retention initiative. The initiative was started in 2006 with a \$50,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and pri-

marily seeks to achieve three goals: sustain and restore critical infrastructure in rural America, create and sustain jobs, and provide needed research and outreach to rural grocery stakeholders.

However, the challenges faced by rural business are substantial, and only grow worse with tough economic times and faltering rural populations. Owners like Jim Puff of Alma's Food-Mart cite rising utility prices, lower customer traffic, and increased prices from the down turn in the economy as the main challenges facing his business.

"When those customer numbers continue to decline - 131 customers the other day, and that's a really slow day, usually it's about 200 - it really hurts you," Puff said.

A report on rural groceries out of the Center Rural Affairs in Lyons, Neb. states that between 1990 and 2000, the incidence of residents in towns with populations under 2,500 who are going to work and presumably shopping in other communities increased by 72 percent. According to the report, this likely correlates to previous customers of the local grocers shopping in larger, name-brand grocers that are able to use their superior economies of scale and technology to lower prices.



Judy Zerr, Manhattan resident, browses through refrigerated foods while grocery shopping at Ray's Apple Market on Tuesday.

When faced by intersecting dilemmas of shrinking populations, increased competition, and rising costs of business, it is only natural that small businesses like rural grocers have vanished.

The initiative began responding to this problem by outlining these and other challenges faced by rural grocers from the grocer's own responses in a survey. After consultation and research, a 2008 rural grocery summit was held by the CECD in Manhattan to communicate helpful procedures and to foster dialogues between owners. The conference was

followed by another conference in the summer of 2010, to build on progress and to extend the conversation started in 2008.

The program has lead to some success, most notably in Gove, Kan., where a town of 150 people has been able to support a grocery store through a cooperative effort with other grocery stores within its region. This practice lowers the prices of products by increasing the amount of overall goods that are bought and allowing all the stores to charge lower prices. The initiative has also been effective in helping the gro-

cers enact ideas to make their business more competitive and to better build on existing support.

According to Procter, access to the program was not limited on the size of the town involved, but more dependent on how much the community was willing to support their store.

"If the community is committed, and can show there is a broad base of support, then we'll become involved with them and work with them," Procter said.

The initiative will continue in the future, and the Center for Engagement and Com-

munity Development looks forward to working with several partners to overcome the challenges needed to keep local groceries alive. Participants are expecting their struggle to continue, with the Center for Engagement and Community Development and small groceries already planning another conference for the summer of 2012.

As owner Jim Puff said, "We're always open to new ideas on something different we can do to help the bottom line. Sometimes it's hard. You put a lot of time into these things to make them work."



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Firefighters stand outside of an apartment building on the 900 block of Kearney Street. Neighbors reported smoke coming from the building at 5:48 p.m. on Sunday.

## Fire at 900 Kearney

Colleen Quinn  
Royal Purple yearbook  
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Fear and flames engulfed the lives and property of the residents on the 900 block of Kearney Street on Sunday night. Around 5:48 p.m., firefighters and police officers responded to an apartment fire on the third story of the complex. Neighbors gathered on the opposite side of the street to witness what was happening.

"We heard the fire alarms going off for about 20 minutes and smelled smoke and ran outside," said Chandra Griffith, senior in biology.

Since there was nobody home at the time the fire was noticed, neighbors quickly

called the residents of the burning home and alerted other neighbors to evacuate. An hour later neighbors were allowed to return to their homes, but the residents of the complex were not allowed to return and were escorted by officers to get their belongings.

According to Officer Breault, after the fire was put out they were focused primarily on checking the surrounding areas to make sure there were not any burning embers. What was lost in the fire was undetermined, and the cause of it was unknown at the time. Nobody

was injured in the fire and the ninth and tenth block of Kearney Street remained closed for hours after the incident.

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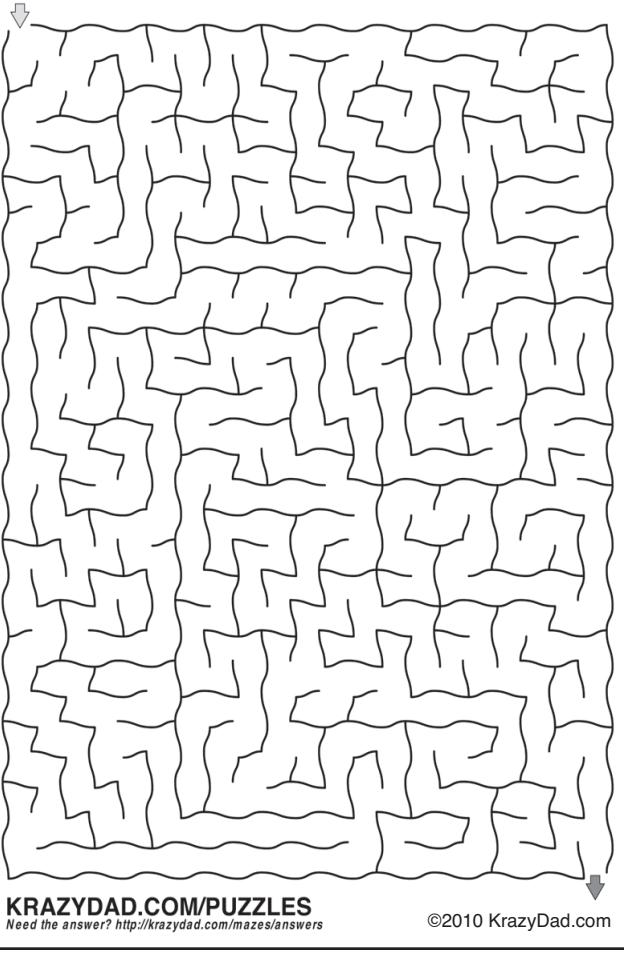
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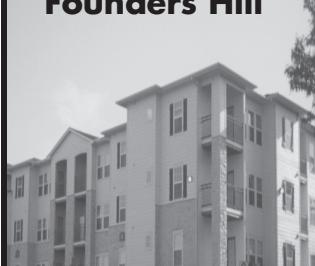
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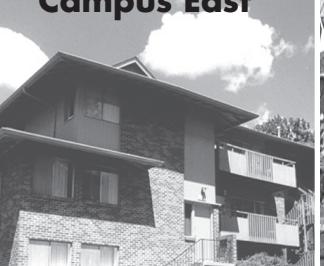
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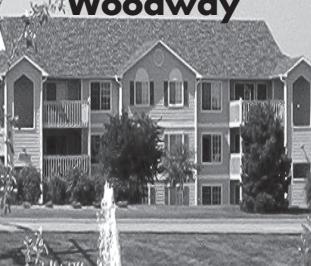
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## Frontcourt futility, sorry shooting tame Wildcats



Ashley Dunkak

A Frank Martin team has defeated a Bill Self team only once, and Saturday would not change that, as the Jayhawks pummeled the Wildcats 90-66. Looking at the box score, it isn't difficult to see what led to this massacre. KU's bigs manhandled those of K-State, and the Wildcats couldn't throw the ball into the ocean.

Statistically, the first half was the worst - though Martin said at least the Wildcats battled during that part of the game. K-State missed on 29 shot attempts, including a 1-of-12 effort from beyond the arc.

Additionally, the team only got to the free throw line for seven attempts, and getting to the line and converting there is an area in which there has been a drop-off from last season to this season. Martin has mentioned this repeatedly.

The Cats got some offensive rebounds but missed ensuing shots right at the rim. Often, K-State would miss a shot, get the rebound, miss a shot at the rim, and then KU would rebound and tear toward the opposite end of the court.

In the first half, K-State had two assists. If that's not an indication that your offense is not functioning well, I don't know what is.

In the paint, Markieff and Marcus Morris outmuscled the K-State forwards. By the end of the first half, they had combined 17 points and 13 rebounds. The Wildcats played hard, but the Morris twins just backed in, and whenever they got the ball, one of two things usually happened: they scored, or they scored and got a free throw attempt because of a foul.

The way I saw it, the KU brothers had a noticeable advantage in two facets: size and confidence. The Wildcat forwards - Curtis Kelly, Jamar Samuels, Jordan Henriquez-Roberts, Wally Judge - are tall, strong, athletic guys, but they are all fairly lean. Judge is probably the most physically imposing, and he only made one basket in seven attempts, though he did make 75 percent of his free throws.

Actual weight aside, the Morris twins looked bigger and stronger and had no problems getting the ball in the paint and scoring.

As far as confidence, you've got a one-loss team that is more closely united than ever before because of a horrible tragedy, and you've got a team that has had more ups and downs than the whole of Cedar Point ("The Roller Coaster Capital of the World") and has only two Big 12 wins. And of course, the game is in Allen Fieldhouse.

In the second half, the Wildcats' shooting improved wildly, and they made 50 percent of their shots and 60 percent of their three-point shots. They more than doubled their first-half output, with 46 points scored compared to 20. In fact, KU only outscored K-State by 7 in the second half, although the Jayhawks took their foot off the throttle toward the end of the game.

Another aspect of the latter part of the contest was the resurgence of Thomas Robinson, the KU forward who lost his mother to a heart attack



Above: K-State head coach **Frank Martin** reacts during the second half against Kansas in Allen Fieldhouse, Jan. 29. K-State lost to the Jayhawks 90-66. Below: K-State guard **Juevol Myles** (4) consoles K-State guard **Jacob Pullen** (0) following the game against KU.

last week. Self said he allowed Robinson to play through a tough start because the forward needed to get back to basketball, and this game was the first time he had a chance to really play for his mother. Accordingly, Robinson finished the game with 17 points and 9 rebounds, and the Fieldhouse crowd gave him multiple standing ovations throughout his 20 minutes of competition.

All in all, it was a hard game to watch for K-State fans. Hopefully the outcome will be different when the Jayhawks visit Bramlage on Valentine's Day. In a building filled with 12,528 Wildcat fans and a team looking for revenge after being embarrassed, KU won't be feeling the love.

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## WOMEN'S | Cats gain tough victory against hawks

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K-State 20-20 at the six minute mark. But K-State responded with another run to close out the half with a 14-6 run to open up a 34-26 halftime margin. Leading the scoring for the Wildcats were Childs and Karr with eight points each. KU was able to get eight points from Engelman and five points from freshman guard Keena Mays.

Both teams shot well from the field and from the three-point line. K-State shot 48 percent and made 4-of-8 attempts from three. The Jayhawks shot nearly 43 percent and made 3-of-5 attempts from behind the arc.

The Wildcats were able to get the Jayhawks' leading scorer Carolyn Davis in foul trouble early on in the first half. Davis, a sophomore forward, was averaging 18 points per game heading into the

contest. She finished the first half with zero points and scored just nine in the whole contest.

The second half started out well for the Wildcats. Mariah White was able to make a nice layup after receiving a pass from Childs that gave the Cats a 10-point lead. It appeared the Wildcats were ready to take control and coast through the half.

But KU didn't go away. Following the basket from White, the Jayhawks responded with a 14-6 run to close the gap to 41-40 at the 12:38 mark. But that was the closest the Jayhawks would come for the rest of the game. The Jayhawks kept things fairly close for a while after that, never trailing

by more than eight, but the Wildcats were able to hold off and respond to each rally.

With the Wildcats leading by just five points and under a minute remaining

in the half, the Jayhawks had the ball and a chance to make things interesting. But after a quick shot from Engelman, the Wildcats were able to secure the rebound, and Engelman fouled Karr to pick up her fifth personal foul and force her to leave the game.

Karr made both free throws, and the Jayhawks

then quickly scored with a layup from Davis. However, Davis then fouled senior guard Kelsey Hill, picking up her fifth foul as well. After trading a few more baskets, the Wildcats were able

to make just enough free throws down the stretch to get the win.

Karr led the Wildcats with 19 points, including three three-point baskets. Along with Karr, Childs also had a strong game for K-State. She scored 18 points, including eight makes from the free-throw line.

Coach Deb Patterson acknowledged the strong play from her starting guard and forward.

"I feel like that was a classic rivalry game," Patterson said. "It was tough but I think we got an unbelievably great game out of Jalan Childs and Taelor Karr; they just stepped up in really big ways. It was neat to see the inside and outside balance in what I would characterize in a very gritty rivalry game."

The Wildcats get a week off before their next contest against Missouri in Columbia, Mo. Tipoff is set for 2 p.m. on Feb. 5.

Frank Martin can't afford to lose team



Paul Harris

It's scary to think that men's basketball head coach Frank Martin has lost this team.

I do not even want to contemplate it. With that said, Saturday's loss was a tough one to swallow. I half expected Jim Wooldridge to step out on the court with a neck brace.

K-State is an extremely talented squad. At this point and time, talented may be up for debate though. Missed layups are as common as drama taking place on Jersey Shore. This type of play carries over to the defensive end as well.

This K-State team is young, inexperienced and mentally soft. Aren't we all at that age? It is the first time most of us have been away from home. Each emotional problem stacks upon itself like a poorly constructed Jenga tower. So, when something goes wrong, the tower tumbles. Again, it is completely understandable that this K-State team's problems are compounded.

I also know that young teams have growing pains, but I do not mind suffering through them. Growing pains are a part of the life experience. The problems facing this K-State team are not growing pains. Growing pains are fairly short and dull. These pains have been long and sharp.

It has been a steady decline since K-State was ranked in the preseason top-five. I don't mind dropping in the regular season polls. In this day and age, going from top-five to top-20 is not a huge deal. During the rocky basketball season, it has been fairly common to see top-5 teams drop in the rankings. But K-State has not sniffed the top-20 since middle December.

Again, external factors are not to be blamed for K-State's struggles. Instead, Martin has put the burden on his shoulders. It seems unfair to see the fourth-year head coach take all responsibility for a disappointing season. This is classic Martin, though. Martin is not going to push the blame on his players. No, Martin just expects those players to work hard, study hard and play hard. Fans and national media only care about one of those facets, and that is playing hard.

I just do not want Martin's antics and passion to be ignored by fans and players. There comes a point and time in every kid's life where the parent is the enemy. The yelling and berating become common. So, it does not even faze you anymore when your parent raises his or her voice. I hope this phenomenon has not clouded the minds of K-State's players.

Of course, winning cures all, but there are not many games left on the schedule. Martin worked his tail off to get to this position. He is passionate about the game of basketball and enjoys turning kids into young men.

I saw improvement from K-State prior to Saturday's game against Kansas. Kansas has always been a thorn in the Wildcats' side. Hopefully, these players continue to listen to Martin and his tough-love approach. He is a man who only wants the best for his players.

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**Left:** Kansas band member, **Richard Williams**, rocks out in front of a sold out crowd of fans Friday at McCain Auditorium. **Below:** Rock band Kansas performed many famous songs for members of the Manhattan audience. The band was accompanied by the K-State Orchestra.

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## KANSAS | High energy performance

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opportunity to solo along side of Kansas' violinist, Dave Ragsdale.

The solo took place in the middle of the performance of "Dust in the Wind" which was conducted by Kerry Livgren, writer of the song and original Kansas band member.

MacGill said he received an email a couple of months in advance asking if he would be willing to perform solo at the Kansas concert.

"Leading up to it, it was a little crazy. There were a lot of details that were unknown," MacGill said of his solo. "I didn't know what to expect until we went through a run through on Friday afternoon."

After passing solos back and forth between MacGill and Ragsdale in the middle of Kansas' hit song, the McCain audience erupted with applause in a standing ovation.

MacGill's moment in the spotlight was met with such a response from the audience, it could have been mistaken for a grand finale, but merely marked the halfway point of the concert.

Kansas continued with a string of hit songs, continuously backed by the K-State Orchestra, conducted by the famed conductor, arranger, and composer, Larry Baird.

At the first down beat of their final song, "Carry On My Wayward Son," the choir of audience members and front row fist-pumpers helped the band and orchestra wrap up the high-energy performance.

As promised by Kansas bassist, Billy Greer, the band met afterward in the lobby of McCain to autograph everything from t-shirts to concert programs for the line of fans that stretched far past the glass doors and onto the side-

walks outside.

Kansas has already partnered with college orchestras across the country for concerts like this one in order to help raise money for college music programs. Along with raising money through ticket sales, a portion of the profits from merchandise that was sold at Friday's concert also went toward K-State's music department Greer said. D'Addario & Company, a musical products accessory manufacturer has also teamed up with Kansas to provide products to participating universities, including K-State.

Kayla Brock and Courtney Faust, students from Manhattan High, were ushers at Friday night's concert.

Brock and Faust were familiar with Kansas' music before hearing them live.

"We played their music in marching band" said Brock.

Brock and Faust both said they were very impressed with the K-State Orchestra and hope to continue their own musical endeavors into their college careers, possibly at K-State.

The result of this performance reached beyond financial blessing for the K-State music department. It also provided young musicians with inspiration to keep chasing after music.



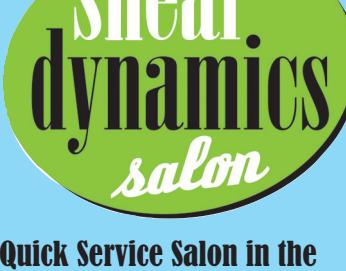
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